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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Sir:

In reply to the non-final Office Action mailed on August 8, 2005, an initial response to which is due no later than November 8, 2005, Applicants submit this paper. Please amend the above-identified application as described below and consider the following remarks. **All amendments and remarks herein are made without prejudice.**

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.